

THRIVING COMMUNITIES BEGIN WITH THRIVING FAMILIES

LAKE AREA UNITED WAY ESTABLISHED THE UNITED FOR FAMILIES NETWORK TO BEGIN LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR SUCCESSFUL CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATIONS AND COORDINATED ACTION.

The United for Families Network is a coalition of social service agencies, government entities, and faith-based organizations that deliver services to and/or impact ALICE households.

UFFN provides a structured environment for providers and organizations to come together and engage in meaningful and productive dialogue. UFFN fosters new collaborations that result in a stronger system of care for ALICE households, facilitates changes to service delivery systems, reduces duplication of services, and creates ongoing,

consistent communication among providers.

UFFN members receive free access to Charity Tracker, a web application for shared case management, used to track assistance and make electronic referrals, goal-set and measure outcomes and coordinate disaster-relief response. The reporting capabilities of the system make gathering and reporting statistical data for resource development and strategic planning simpler and easier. Charity Tracker enables multiple service providers to share a common, web-based database that tracks and records how families are receiving

charitable assistance in real-time, which can help reduce duplication of service while increasing efficiency.

Lake Area United Way offers the Charity Tracker system at no cost to UFFN Partners and in some cases can provide hardware to participating organizations demonstrating need. Additionally, technical support and ongoing training are also provided at no cost.

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CharityTracker™

Trusted by thousands, Charity Tracker is a proven solution we use to improve lives by mobilizing and strengthening the caring power of your community. Easy. Simple. Effective.



Top 8 Services Most Often Used by Program Beneficiaries

1. Food Assistance
2. Utility Assistance
3. Housing Assistance
4. Education/Program Assistance
5. Financial Fitness Assistance
6. Case Management Assistance
7. Legal Assistance
8. Household Supply Assistance



\$4,500,000+ Provided in Assistance to Program Beneficiaries

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| 1. Housing Assistance | \$1,593,727 |
| 2. Utility Assistance | \$1,355,236 |
| 3. Food Assistance | \$999,123 |
| 4. Legal Assistance..... | \$82,131 |
| 5. Other Financial Assistance | \$76,904 |
| 6. Clothing Assistance | \$73,531 |
| 7. Household Supply Assistance | \$29,577 |
| 8. Furniture Assistance..... | \$14,278 |



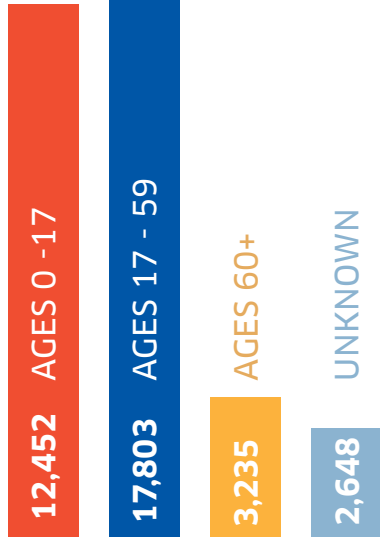
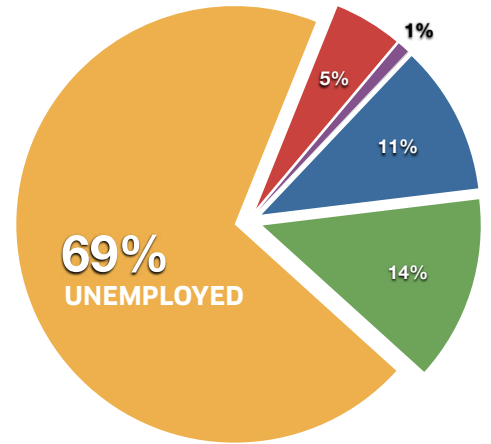
MORE THAN 36,000 ACTIVE CASES ARE IN THE SYSTEM
MORE THAN 100 PROGRAMS & SERVICES ARE BEING TRACKED
MORE THAN 50 ORGANIZATIONS ARE IN THE PIPELINE TO BECOME CHARITY TRACKER USERS

AGE GROUPS WE SERVE

Beneficiaries Snapshot

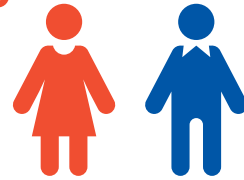


EMPLOYMENT STATUS



2017 CASE COUNT 36,141

66%
Females

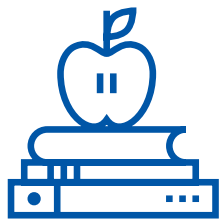


GENDER

34%
Males



MARITAL STATUS



LEVEL OF EDUCATION

College	21%
High School Did Not Graduate	18%
High School Diploma / GED	51%
Did Not Disclose	10%

Single	65%
Married	13%
Divorced	11%
Widowed	5%
Separated	4%
Did Not Disclose	2%

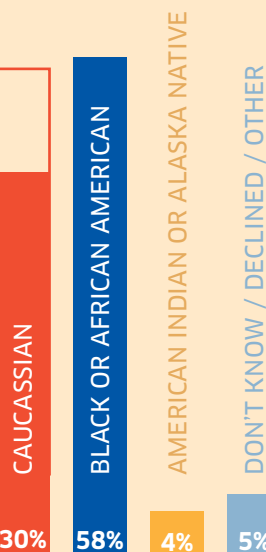
RACE

HISPANIC / LATINO DESCENT

21%
Hispanic / Latino

75%
Non-Hispanic / Latino

2%
Don't Know



DISABLED

YES	27%
NO	67%
DON'T KNOW	5%
DECLINED / OTHER	1%



VETERANS

YES	3%
NO	97%

- Adult Protective Services - Lake County Government
- Alzheimer's Association
- American Red Cross
- AMFB Mentors
- Anthem Medicaid
- Boy Scouts of America
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater NWI
- Calumet Township Trustee's Office
- Campagna Academy
- Catholic Charities
- Cedar Creek Township Trustee's Office
- Charter School of the Dunes
- City Life Center
- City of Hammond
- ComForCare Home Care
- Communities In Schools of Lake County
- Community Career Center - Goodwill Industries
- Community HealthNet
- Congressman Pete Visclosky's Office
- Consumer Credit Counseling Service of NWI
- Crisis Center
- Early Learning Partnership
- Food Bank of NWI
- G.A.P Food Pantry
- Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago & NWI
- Girls on the Run of Northwest Indiana
- Grace Beyond Borders NWI, INC
- Greater Hammond Community Services
- Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana
- Hammond Public Library
- Hanover Township Trustee's Office
- Haven House
- Health Visions Midwest
- HealthLinc
- Hearts in Motion
- Hobart Food Pantry
- Indiana Parenting Institute
- Indiana Tech
- Lake Area United Way
- Lake County Community Economic Development Department
- Lake County Community Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition
- Life Church International
- LIFE Mentoring Inc.
- MDWise
- Meals on Wheels NWI
- MECCA
- Mental Health America of Lake County
- Methodist Hospitals
- Metropolitan Baptist Church
- Metropolitan Legal Clinic
- Mommy's Haven
- Moms Taking Charge
- North Township Trustee's Office
- NorthShore Health Center
- Northwest Indiana Community Action
- Northwest Indiana Veterans Action Council
- Nurse-Family Partnership
- Operation Care
- Peace Baptist Church
- Purdue Extension - Nutrition Education Program
- Purdue Northwest - College of Nursing
- Regional Health Clinic
- Re-Think Church
- RiseNWI
- Ross Township Trustee's Office
- Salvation Army
- Schererville Civic Fund
- Self-Injury Support Groups of NWI
- South Lake County Community Services, Inc.
- St. Catherine Hospital
- St. John Township Trustee's Office
- St. Jude House
- Steel City Academy
- The Dialysis Center of Gary-Merrillville
- The Excel Center - Gary
- The Excel Center - Hammond
- The Welcome Network
- TradeWinds Services, Inc.
- UAW/Ford Community Service
- Unity of Northwest Indiana
- US Senator Joe Donnelly's Office
- US Senator Todd Young's Office
- Village of Hope
- Winfield Township Trustee's Office



“The United For Families Network is an amazing group of individuals who care about others and their needs. Not only do they care, but they actually take action to assist others. It took just a brief email to the network members, for me to obtain over 20 responses, providing housing assistance for one of my students. We need more people like this in our communities!”

JASON TAYLOR
Indiana Tech
Admissions Representative

“Being a United For Families Network member has allowed our organization to link with other agencies sharing the common goal of strengthening communities by empowering them through education, training and job placement. Being a member within this network has improved our quality and the quantity of services and resources we are providing for the community. In addition, it has helped our organization reach various populations contributing to our advocacy success.”

YIAKESHIA ADAMS
Griffith Community Career Center
Manager, Goodwill of Northern Indiana



OUR MISSION
Lake Area United Way improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of our community to advance the common good.

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